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C O N F I D E N T I A L CARACAS 10242

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG VE

SUBJECT: GOV OFFICIAL THREATENS ALLOCATION ROYALTY OIL

REF: STATE 234975

FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF REFTEL, EMBOFFS CONFERRED WITH TEXACO
MANAGER, HANS TANNER, CONCERNING VENEZUELAN THREAT TO TAKE ROYALTY
OIL FROM TEXACO TO SUPPLY CENTRAL AMERICAN MARKETS. TANNER VERY
CONCERNED ABOUT EVOLUTION THIS PROBLEM, ESPECIALLY BECAUSE OF DANGER
THAT GOV MIGHT REQUIRE TEXACO TO PAY ALL ITS ROYALTIES IN OIL RATHER
THAN ONLY AMOUNT NEEDED TO SUPPLY SMALL CENTRAL AMERICAN MARKETS.
TANNER WILL MEET WITH HYDROCARBONS MINISTRY OFFICIALS MORNING
DECEMBER 3 TO EXPLAIN BEXACO POSITION AND HOPEFULLY DISSUADE VENE-
ZUELAN GOVERNMENT FROM UNREASONABLE POSITION. WHICH INDEED IT
WOULD BE IF AS TANNER APPARENTLY FEARS GOV WOULD DICTATE TO TEXACO
REQUIRING THAT IT CONTINUE TO SUPPLY 100 PERCENT OF CENTRAL AMERICAN
OIL IMPORTS RATHER THAN A PRO RATA REDUCTION OF SUCH IMPORTS AS
COMPANIES ARE ALLOCATING ELSEWHERE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. HE WILL
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BE ACCOMPANIED BY TEXACO OFFICIAL FROM US (DICKENSON). EMBASSY WILL

REPORT FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS DECEMBER 3 AND IN MEANTIME, IN
ACCORDANCE REFTTEL, WILL TAKE NO ACTION.
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